

APPROVED 7-23-08
TOWN OF NORTH HAVEN, CONNECTICUT
MINUTES
Inland Wetlands Commission

Minutes of the Inland Wetlands Commission meeting held on Wednesday, May 28, 2008 at the Mildred A. Wakeley Community & Recreation Center, 7 Linsley Street, in Room #2 at 7:00 PM.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mark Trojanowski, Chairman
Edward Bruce, Vice Chairman
Ronald Penton, Secretary
William Leiserson
Leroy Gould
Steve Nugent
Pamela Sletten
Frank Bumsted, Alternate
John Gilchrist, Alternate

ABSENT MEMBERS: None

OTHERS:

Alan Fredricksen, Land Use Administrator
Walter Spader, Jr., Assistant Town Attorney
Andy Bevilacqua, Acting Town Engineer
Arthur Hausman, Zoning Enforcement Officer
Lisa Raccio, Stenographer
Sandi Lion, Clerk

AGENDA:

Mr. Trojanowski, Chairman, called the meeting of the Inland Wetlands Commission to order at 7:06 PM and introduced the Commission and town staff. He then explained the procedure for the public hearing. Mr. Trojanowski asked Mr. Fredricksen if there was any other business to come before the Commission. Mr. Fredricksen stated that application #I08-09, 120 Mill Road is postponed to the June 25, 2008 meeting.

OTHER: Executive Session with Town Attorney Walter Spader, Jr. regarding the Tire Pond, 441 State Street.

Mr. Leiserson moved to go into Executive Session; Mr. Penton seconded the motion. All were in favor. The Commission invited Attorney Walter Spader, Jr., Alan Fredricksen, Land Use Administrator, Arthur Hausman, Zoning Enforcement Officer, and Andy Bevilacqua, Acting Town Engineer to attend the Executive Session.

Mr. Leiserson moved to close the Executive Session; Mr. Trojanowski seconded the motion. All were in favor.

1. #I08-08 Application of Robert J. Rebeschi, Owner and Applicant, relative to 36 Nettleton Avenue, (Map 11, Lot 3), seeking Permit To Conduct Regulated Activity and Site Plan Referral. Plan Entitled: Property Located At #36 Nettleton Avenue, North Haven, Connecticut. Prepared by Criscuolo Engineering, LLC, Dated 1/18/08. Scale 1" = 20. IL-30 Zoning district.

Jim Pretti with Criscuolo Engineering presented the application to build a 12' wide access driveway to relocate two recycling dumpsters. The applicant also wants to add an overhead door to the existing building for deliveries. He then explained the drainage system. Street trees will be added and full cut off fixtures will be provided on the exterior of the building. Mr. Bevilacqua, Acting Town Engineer, explained the storm water storage for 100 year and 2 year storms. The Commission asked questions and Mr. Bevilacqua and Mr. Pretti responded. Mr. Nugent asked about curbing. Mr. Pretti stated that curbing is not being proposed.

Mr. Penton suggested a 25 foot buffer from the wetlands in the rear of the building. Mr. Robert Rebeschi, owner, stated that this grassed area containing phragmites could be a potential fire hazard if not mowed. Mr. Leiserson suggested mowing the area less frequently. Mr. Bumsted suggested no pesticides or herbicides be used in this area. Mr. Trojanowski suggested to monitor the buffer area and stop mowing up to 25' from the buffer line. Mr. Bruce suggested mowing up to the buffer line. Mrs. Sletten suggested moving the dumpsters against the building so the angle of the driveway could be directed away from the wetlands. Mr. Leiserson asked about dumpster enclosures. Mr. Pretti stated that metal fencing enclosures would probably be used.

Mr. Trojanowski asked for public comment.

Public Comment:

- 1) Michael Gray, neighbor, Middletown Avenue, concerned with drainage collecting on the 12' wide driveway and flowing into the wetlands. He also has security concerns, for his property, with the renovations being proposed.
- 2) Richard Gray, Middletown Avenue, concerned about the kind of material being stored on site.

Mr. Fredricksen stated to the public that this application will go before the Planning & Zoning Commission, if the Inland Wetlands Commission approves this application, and it will be a site plan not a public hearing.

Being no further questions, Mr. Trojanowski closed the public hearing.

2. #I08-09 Application of Andrew Coutant, Owner and Applicant, relative to 120 Mill Road, (Map 47, Lot 8), seeking Permit To Conduct Regulated Activity. Plan Entitled: Proposed Garage and Living Space Additions, 120 Mill Road, North Haven, CT, Prepared by Nafis & Young Engineers, Inc., Dated April 25, 2008. Scale 1" = 20'. R-40 Zoning District. Postponed to the June 25, 2008 meeting.

This application was postponed to the 25 June 2008 meeting.

BREAK: None

INFORMAL: None

DELIBERATIONS:

1. #I08-08 Application of Robert J. Rebesch, Owner and Applicant, relative to 36 Nettleton Avenue,

Mr. Bruce moved to approve the application and send a positive referral to the Planning and Zoning Commission; Mr. L. Gould seconded the motion.

Mr. Bruce moved to amend the motion allowing mowing up to the wetland buffer line and placing wetland boundary markers near the buffer area; Mr. L. Gould seconded the motion. The Commission voted as follows:

Trojanowski – aye Bruce - aye Penton – aye L. Gould – aye Leiserson – aye Nugent – aye Sletten - aye

The application was approved with the appropriate comments.

BOND RELEASES & REDUCTIONS: None

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Mr. Leiserson moved to approve the minutes of April 23, 2008; Mr. Nugent seconded the motion. The Commission voted as follows:

Trojanowski – aye Penton – aye Leiserson – aye L. Gould – aye Nugent – aye Sletten – aye Bumsted – aye

ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS: None

EXTENSIONS: None

PERMITTED USES AS OF RIGHT: None

CORRESPONDENCE: Tire Pond Letter dated May 12, 2008
Connecticut NEMO Newsletter, Winter/Spring 2008
Connecticut Wildlife, March/April 2008
CFL News, April 2008

ADJOURN:

Mr. Leiserson moved to adjourn the meeting; Mr. Penton seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 9:01 PM.